

Quick Training Guide

Farmers' Market Nutrition Program

1) Post the sign

Display the "WIC and Senior Farmer' Market Checks Welcome" sign and your Certified Producers' Certificate.



2) Use correct 6-digit WIC ID

Stamp or hand-write WIC ID number (not the Producer's certificate number) on front of WIC FMNP checks and Senior FMNP checks before depositing in a bank.

3) Accept checks only for WIC eligible foods

FMNP checks can be used to purchase fresh, unprepared fruits, vegetables and fresh cut edible herbs for WIC participants and Seniors. Refer to the WIC Approved Produce List for details. Honey is allowed only for seniors. DO NOT accept checks for processed, prepared foods or beverages.

4) Handle checks as CASH

Change cannot be given to participants. You may add extra produce to bring the sale close to the check value. **Last day to accept checks is November 30. Last day to deposit the checks into the bank is December 31.**

5) Comply with State and Federal Regulations

- * Accept FMNP checks **only** after being certified by CDPH WIC FMNP.
- * Accept checks **only** at WIC authorized certified farmers' markets.
- * Do not discriminate against the FMNP participants in price, quality of produce, or service.
- * Provide access and full cooperation to the State and County representatives during periodic monitoring visits.
- * Adhere to all FMNP program procedures and requirements and not commit fraud or abuse in connection with this USDA program.
- * Understand the farmer/market may be disqualified if FMNP program regulations are not properly followed.
- * Report suspected abuse or violation in connection with the program to the State WIC authority.



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